

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: HHS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2023 for the Department of Health and Human Services, after receiving testimony from Xavier Becerra, Secretary of Health And Human Services.

APPROPRIATIONS: DOE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2023 for the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Jennifer M. Granholm, Secretary of Energy.

APPROPRIATIONS: DHS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2023 for the Department of Homeland Security, after receiving testimony from Alejandro N. Mayorkas, Secretary of Homeland Security.

APPROPRIATIONS: USFS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2023 for the Forest Service, after receiving testimony from Randy Moore, Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

APPROPRIATIONS: VA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2023 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, after receiving testimony from Denis McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

NUCLEAR WEAPONS COUNCIL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded a hearing to examine the Nuclear Weapons Council, after receiving testimony from Jill Hruby, Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, Heidi Shyu, Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, William LaPlante, Chairman, John Plumb, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Space Policy, Admiral Christopher Grady, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Admiral Charles Richard,

Commander, United States Strategic Command, all of the Nuclear Weapons Council.

OVERDRAFT FEES

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection concluded a hearing to examine overdraft fees and their effects on working families, including S. 2677, to amend the Truth in Lending Act to limit overdraft fees and establish fair and transparent practices related to the marketing and provision of overdraft coverage programs at depository institutions, after receiving testimony from Aaron Klein, Brookings Institution, and David Pommerehn, Consumer Bankers Association, both of Washington, D.C.; and Jason Wilk, Dave, Los Angeles, California.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Ventris C. Gibson, of Virginia, to be Director of the Mint, and Paul M. Rosen, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Investment Security, both of the Department of the Treasury.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original bill entitled, “Water Resources Development Act”;

6 General Services Administration resolutions; and

The nomination of Benny R. Wagner, of Tennessee, to be Inspector General of the Tennessee Valley Authority.

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES OF TAX EXEMPT ENTITIES

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Taxation and IRS Oversight concluded a hearing to examine laws and enforcement governing the political activities of tax exempt entities, after receiving testimony from Philip Hackney, University of Pittsburgh School of Law, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Bradley A. Smith, Institute for Free Speech, and Scott Walter, Capital Research Center, both of Washington, D.C.; and Ann Ravel, former Chair of the Federal Election Commission, Los Gatos, California.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

Amendments to the Treaty on Fisheries between the Governments of Certain Pacific Island States and the Government of the United States of America (Treaty Doc.115–3);

Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Croatia comprising the instrument as contemplated by Article 3(2) of the Agreement on Extradition between the United States of America and the European Union, signed June 25, 2003, as to the Application of the Treaty on Extradition signed on October 25, 1901 (the “U.S.-Croatia Extradition Agreement”), and the Agreement between the Government of the United States and the Government of the Republic of Croatia comprising the Instrument as contemplated by Article 3(3) of the Agreement on Mutual Legal Assistance between the United States of America and the European Union signed at Washington on June 25, 2003 (the “U.S.-Croatia Mutual Legal Assistance Agreement”), both signed at Washington on December 10, 2019 (Treaty Doc.116–2);

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (the “Montreal Protocol”), adopted at Kigali on October 15, 2016, by the Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (the “Kigali Amendment”) (Treaty Doc.117–1); and

The nominations of John N. Nkengasong, of Georgia, to be Ambassador at Large, Coordinator of United States Government Activities to Combat HIV/AIDS Globally, Marc B. Nathanson, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Norway, MaryKay Loss Carlson, of Arkansas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines, Philip S. Goldberg, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Korea, and Caroline Kennedy, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of Australia, all of the Department of State.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jane Hartley, of New York, to be Ambassador to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and Constance J. Milstein, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malta, who were both introduced by Senator Schumer, Alan M. Leventhal, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Denmark, who was introduced by Senator Markey, and Bruce I. Turner, of Colorado, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the Conference on Disarmament, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY BUDGET

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the

President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2023 for the Department of Homeland Security, after receiving testimony from Alejandro N. Mayorkas, Secretary of Homeland Security.

INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine implementing the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act for Native communities, focusing on setting new foundations, after receiving testimony from Wizipan Garriott, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Elizabeth A. Fowler, Acting Director, and Rear Admiral Mark Calkins, Public Health Service, Assistant Surgeon General, Director, Division of Sanitation Facilities Construction, both of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; Timothy Hess, Associate Administrator, Office of Federal Lands Highway, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation; Adam Geisler, Division Chief, Tribal Connectivity and Nation To Nation Coordination Division, Office of Internet Connectivity and Growth, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce; Mark Mitchell, All Pueblo Council of Governors, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Harold C. Frazier, Great Plains Tribal Chairmen’s Association, and Dakota Longbrake, Tribal Transportation Program Coordinating Committee, both of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, Eagle Butte, South Dakota; Garret T. Yoshimi, University of Hawai’i System, Honolulu; and Nicole Borromeo, Alaska Federation of Natives, Anchorage.

SWIPE FEES

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine excessive swipe fees and barriers to competition in the credit and debit card systems, after receiving testimony from Doug Kantor, National Association of Convenience Stores, Alexandria, Virginia; Laura Karet, Giant Eagle, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Charles G. Kim, Commerce Bancshares, Kansas City, Missouri; Linda Kirkpatrick, Mastercard International Incorporated, Purchase, New York, New York; Ed Mierzwinski, U.S. PIRG, Washington, D.C.; and Bill Sheedy, Visa Inc., San Francisco, California.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology, and the Law concluded a hearing to examine platform transparency, focusing on understanding the impact of social media, after receiving testimony from Brandon Silverman, CrowdTangle, Oakland, California; Nathaniel Persily, and Daphne

Keller, both of Stanford University Cyber Policy Center, Stanford, California; Jim Harper, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C.; and Jonathan Haidt, New York University Stern School of Business, New York, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Shereef M.

Elnahal, of New Jersey, to be Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 6, 2022.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

WAR CRIMES IN UKRAINE

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Russian war crimes in Ukraine, after receiving testimony from Beth Van Schaack, Ambassador at Large for Global Criminal Justice, Department of State; Iryna Venediktova, Ukraine Prosecutor General; Wolfgang Benedek, University of Graz; Marco Sassoli, University of Geneva; Veronika Bilkova, Charles University; and Timothy Snyder, Yale University.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the posture of the Department of the Army in review of

the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2023 and the Future Years Defense Program; to be immediately followed by a closed session in SVC-217, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine student loan servicers and their impact on workers, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine whether taxpayer dollars should go to companies that violate labor laws, 11 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Data Security, to hold hearings to examine ensuring fairness and transparency in the market for prescription drugs, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2023 for the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine securing and ensuring order on the southwest border, 10:15 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 977, to amend the Sherman Act to make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal, S. 3846, to reauthorize the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program, and the nomination of S. Lane Tucker, to be United States Attorney for the District of Alaska, Department of Justice, 9 a.m., SH-216.

House

No hearings are scheduled.